



Roadmap to 2020



Everyone has a vision about what our City needs to become by 2020. With your input, the City has developed an achievable Sustainability Roadmap, goals that will both save precious resources and add quality to the lives of all our citizens. For additional information please contact mglasgow@littlerock.org.



Energy is anything that powers city facilities, buildings, our homes and the way we move throughout the City of Little Rock.

PACE

The City of Little Rock will facilitate creation of a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) PACE Program for Little Rock, which will give businesses broader access to affordable financing for clean energy, energy efficiency, and waterconservation projects.

Energy Efficiency of Facilities

The City of Little Rock will promote energy efficiency in both existing and newly built facilities.

Fleet carbon Reduction

In order to decrease carbon emissions the Fleet Department will consider all alternative fuel options when maintaining, replacing, or purchasing City vehicles.



The Built Environment is any man-made structure that allows us to travel, live, work and play on a day-to-day basis.

Promoting Green Roofs

The City of Little Rock will plant at least one green roof at a city facility in order to show the public that all space can be used wisely. In addition the City will also provide education for other businesses looking to create green roofs.

Complete Streets Adoption

To improve walking, biking, and driving quality the City of Little Rock will adopt a Complete Streets ordinance that will integrate complete streets concepts into transportation planning and road construction.

New Residential Energy Labeling

For all new residential construction, the goal of the City is an energy label that includes the expected yearly energy cost of the home and allows consumers to comparison shop. The City, in collaboration with the Sustainability Commission, will also develop a pilot program to collect data about duct leakage in new homes.

Economic Development

Economic Development is defined by actions and policies that promote the economic health of our City.

Sustainable City Branding

The City of Little Rock will maintain an updated inventory of sustainable initiatives within the City. The City will use the inventory to develop key messages for city leaders, the Chamber of Commerce, the Port Authority, and any others who work to recruit businesses to Little Rock.

Sustainable Business Incentives

The City of Little Rock will research and identify best practices and revenue neutral incentives for businesses that embrace sustainable practices in the construction and maintenance of their facilities and in their business and operations.

Sustain the Rock Award Recognition

The City of Little Rock will continue to develop the Sustain the Rock awards into a well-known and recognizable recognition system for individuals and local businesses practicing sustainability, and will expand the awards to include recognition of City departments and employees.

The Natural Environment

The Natural Environment is maintaining and preserving our air, soil, water and the natural resources that are found within our City.

Improving Residential Recycling

The City will consider citizen input regarding recycling cart size, recycling collection frequency, and “pay as you throw” trash collection.

Organic Waste Pilot Program

The City of Little Rock will further its efforts towards a low waste community by implementing a pilot program of organic waste recycling within the hospitals located on the I-630 corridor.

Ban Yard Waste Plastic Bags

The City of Little Rock will adopt an ordinance banning plastic bags in yard waste.

Tree Canopy Growth

The City of Little Rock will add to the tree canopy throughout the City.

quality
of Life

Quality of Life refers to the general well-being of people who live and work in the City of Little Rock

Mobile Food Market

Within the City of Little Rock, one in five residents suffers from food insecurity. The City, working with various partners, will help to promote and implement a Mobile Market pilot program that will bring fresh produce to citizens in need.

Arkansas River Trail

In order to improve a bike friendly culture, the City will support and promote improvements and expansion of the Arkansas River Trail.

Accessible Alternative Transportation

The City of Little Rock will expand the variety of transportation alternatives available to its residents by recruiting car and bike sharing companies, continuing to promote the Central Arkansas Transit Authority's bus system, improving the City's network of walking and bike trails, and educating residents about biking, public transportation, carpooling, and car sharing opportunities.

Fourche Creek Recreation

The Fourche Creek Watershed, a 1,800 acre bottomland region, filters over 90% of all ground water runoff from the City. It serves as home to over 50 species of fish, 300 year old bald cypress and a diverse population of migratory bird species as well as hikers, paddlers, and birders. In order to protect the Fourche Creek Watershed the City of Little Rock, in partnership with Friends of Fourche Creek, will provide recreation, education, and beautification opportunities at various sites in the Watershed area.